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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312

Sir:

On April 6, 2005, a Notice of Allowance was mailed in the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully ask the Examiner to consider the following remarks and Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.312 (a). Applicants file this Amendment before the payment of the issue fee due date, which is July 6, 2005.

It is believed that no extension of time is required. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our deposit account No. 23-1951.